

**Public Safety Committee**  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, October 7, 2020 6:00 p.m.  
**MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY DUE TO COVID-19.**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Dianne Duggan, Public Safety Chair.
2. **Roll Call.** Members present: Dianne Duggan, Bill Lathrop and Erika Stuart. Others present: Police Chief Patrick Reese, EMS Chief Jamie Kessenich, City Administrator Ian Rigg, and Customer Service Representative Leah Hurtley. Members of the public present: Jason Knox, Orfordville, WI resident.
3. **Agenda.** A motion was made by Lathrop, seconded by Stuart, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion was approved 3-0.
4. **Minutes.** A motion was made by Stuart, seconded by Duggan, to approve the September 2, 2020 Public Safety regular meeting minutes. Motion was approved 3-0.
5. **Citizen appearances.** None
6. **Old Business.**
  - A. **ATV/UTV Routes.**
7. **New Business.**
  - A. **Joint Powers Agreement.** A motion was made by Stuart, seconded by Lathrop to approve the 2021 Joint Powers Agreement. Motion approved 3-0.
  - B. A motion was made by Stuart, seconded by Lathrop, to approve the Original Operators License applications for:
    - 1) Michael Thym 2) Laverne Jackson 3) Carrissa Guetzke 4) Caroline Gunn. Motion approved 3-0.
  - C. **Trick Or Treat Hours.** Chief Reese shared that Trick or Treating hours were usually set from 5:00-7:00 Halloween night. Reese reported that the CDC does consider Trick or Treating a high risk activity and it could be hard to enforce those choosing to go door-to-door. Chief Reese said the Police Department will have extra staff on duty and from a safety standpoint it may be better to set the hours and encourage those to practice safe practices set by the CDC.
  - D. **Middle School Parking.** Chief Reese reported that there is no longer a need for the “No Parking” signs/restrictions around the Middle School on the south side of South First Street as those rules were in place for drop off traffic.
8. **Evansville Emergency Medical Services Report.** No written report was submitted but Chief Kessenich shared verbally that COVID-19 is prevalent in the community and EMS calls are increasing.
9. **Evansville Police Department Report.** Reese gave the written monthly report covering the training for officers, community outreach, updates in the department, staffing matters, and accreditation.

**10. Budget Update.** Rigg spoke on some deferments of capital that were necessary to balance the budget. Items deferred were work on the evidence intake room, Livescan finger printing, and Cradle Point technology. Rigg also said that from his communications with other Council members that the body and squad cameras are a priority for the department. Reese said that if they do not get the Cradle Point technology they will need new hotspots for at least two squad cars.

**11. Meeting Reminder:** Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2020 6:00 p.m.

**12. Motion to adjourn.** A motion was made by Stuart, seconded by Lathrop to adjourn at 6:56 pm. Motion was approved 3-0.

*Leah Hurlley, City of Evansville*

*The minutes are not official until approved by the Public Safety Committee at the next regular meeting.*